

REMARKS

Claims 47-85 are pending in the present application. All of the claims have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over various claims of copending Application Nos. 10/813,566 and 10/812,853, and of copending Application Nos. 10/813,566 or 10/812,853 in view of Kawai US Patent 5,994,963.

RCE

The present Amendment is being submitted with an RCE, and the corresponding government fee.

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

In response to the double patenting rejections, Terminal Disclaimers are being submitted with this Amendment. Applicants submit that the Terminal Disclaimers overcome the double patenting rejections.

IDS

An IDS is being submitted with this Amendment. In addition, an IDS was submitted on 11/1/2005, and an electronic IDS was submitted on 10/31/2005. Applicants request that the Examiner consider the references cited in the 3 IDS'.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that all claims are patentable over the prior art. It is further more respectfully submitted that all other matters have been addressed and remedied and that the application is in form for allowance. Should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Bruce A. Johnson, Applicants'

Attorney at 512-301-9900 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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